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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Lieutenant Colonel Anne Maker upon the occasion of her retirement after more than 40 years of dedicated service to the New York Air National Guard

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize those remarkable individuals who honorably and courageously serve their country in order to protect the life and liberty of our citizens, and whose military service, professional lives, and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Lieutenant Colonel Anne Maker upon the occasion of her retirement after more than 40 years of dedicated service to the New York Air National Guard; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Greenport High School, Greenport, New York, Anne Maker proudly served her country as a member of the Medical Service Corps in the United States Air Force, where she was deployed to Bosnia, Qatar, and Afghanistan; her last deployment was in 2013; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the Medical Service Corps, Lieutenant Colonel Anne Maker was a vital part of the Aeromedical Evacuation System which was instrumental in getting injured troops the imperative care they needed; and

WHEREAS, After active duty, Lieutenant Colonel Anne Maker worked at the 106th Rescue Wing, New York Air National Guard in Westhampton Beach, New York; at the age of 61, she officially retired from this position on April 27, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her illustrious career, Anne Maker rose through the ranks, from Master Sergeant to Lieutenant Colonel; an exceptional student, she was named an Honor Graduate for her military training

instructor class; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Anne Maker fondly recalls meeting and working with people all over the world and as an instructor, she enjoyed mentoring young recruits and basic trainees; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Individuals who dedicate their lives to military service merit the commendation and applause of all citizens for their commitment to the preservation of American freedom; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Lieutenant Colonel Anne Maker upon the occasion of her retirement after more than 40 years of dedicated service to the New York Air National Guard; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lieutenant Colonel Anne Maker.